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OCT 17 2001

DOT-E 12220 (FIRST REVISION)

EXPIRATION DATE: September 30, 2003

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. <u>GRANTEE</u>: James E. Laird d.b.a. Laird Farms Waterloo, New York

2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:

- a. This exemption authorizes certain unloading attachments to remain attached to tank cars when no unloading is being conducted. This exemption provides no relief from any Hazardous Materials Regulation (HMR) other than as specifically stated herein.
- b. The safety analyses performed in development of this exemption only considered the hazards and risks associated with transportation in commerce.
- 3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
- 4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR §§ 174.67(i) and (j) and 172.302(c).
- 5. <u>BASIS</u>: This exemption is based on the application of Laird Farms dated October 5, 2001, submitted in accordance with § 107.109.
- 6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Proper Shipping Name/ Hazardous Materials Description	Hazard Class/ Division	Identi- fication Number	Packing Group
Ammonia, Anhydrous	2.2	UN 1005	N/A

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

- a. PACKAGING Packagings prescribed are DOT specification tank cars authorized for the materials per \$ 173.314 with an unloading pipe connected and protective cap installed.
- b. OPERATIONAL CONTROLS Piping and cap installed must be manufactured from compatible metal constructed to schedule 80 or greater. The piping must extend outside of the protective housing in a manner that prevents the pipe from being struck by the protective housing cover.
- MARKING The marking requirements in § 172.302(c) are waived.

8. **SPECIAL PROVISIONS:**

- a. A current copy of this exemption must be maintained at each facility where the package is offered or reoffered for transportation.
- b. After connecting the pipe and prior to transferring any product, the facility representative must conduct an inspection to ensure that the protective housing cover cannot strike the piping when in the fully opened position.
- 9. MODES_OF_TRANSPORTATION_AUTHORIZED: Rail freight.
- MODAL REQUIREMENTS: None as a condition of this exemption.
- 11. COMPLIANCE: Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this exemption and penalties prescribed by the Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. 5101 et seg:
 - All terms and conditions prescribed in this exemption and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
 - Registration required by § 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in § 171.8, who performs a function subject to this exemption must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this exemption in addition to the training required by \$\$ 172.700 through 172.704.

No person may use or apply this exemption, including display of its number, when the exemption has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: The carrier is required to report any incident involving loss of packaging contents or packaging failure to the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety (AAHMS) as soon as practicable. (Sections 171.15 and 171.16 apply to any activity undertaken under the authority of this exemption.) In addition, the holder(s) of this exemption must inform the AAHMS, in writing, of any incident involving the package and shipments made under the terms of this exemption.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:

Hazardous Materials Safety

Robert A. McGuire

Associate Administrator for

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Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590. Attention: DHM-31.

The original of this exemption is on file at the above office. Photo reproductions and legible reductions of this exemption are permitted. Any alteration of this exemption is prohibited.

Copies of exemptions may be obtained from the AAHMS, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street, Washington, DC 20590-0001, Attention: Records Center, 202-366-5046.

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